THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Thursday, 12th August 1954.

The House met in the Council Chamber, Fort St. George, at eleven of the clock, Mr. Chairman (THE HON. DR. P. V. CHERIAN) in the Chair.

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

I.—CONDOLENCE RESOLUTION ON THE DEATH OF SRI HAMEED SULTAN MARICAIR.

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" I regret to have to announce to the House the death of Sri V. Hameed Sultan Maricair."

* THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Mr. Chairman, Sir, I move—

'*That this House places on record its deep sense of sorrow at the demise of Sri V. Hameed Sultan Maricair, an ex-Member of the Legislative Council, and conveys its sense of sympathy to the members of his bereaved family.*'

" Sir, the late Khan Bahadur V. Hameed Sultan Maricair was a member of the Madras Legislative Council from 1939 to 1952. He was the son-in-law of the late hon. Sri A. K. G. Ahmed Thambi Maricair. He was a leading merchant and was President of the Taluk Board of Nagapattinam for several years. I have known him as a very amiable gentleman. I do hope that this resolution will be accepted unanimously."

* DR. V. K. JOHN :—" Mr. Chairman, Sir, I associate myself on behalf of the Opposition with the sentiments expressed by the Hon. the Leader of the House and with the resolution he has moved."

SRI V. CHAKKARAI CHETTY :—" Mr. Chairman, Sir, unfortunately I had not the pleasure or the privilege of real acquaintance with a gentleman whose death we are deploring in this resolution. But I know, Sir, that the Hon. the Leader of the House is fully acquainted with all the details and therefore it goes without any controversy that we extend to the members of the bereaved family our sincere sympathy in their bereavement and hope that our appreciation will go some little way towards alleviating their sorrow. But no amount of human sympathy, however good it may be, will be a substitute for the living personality who is no more with them. I associate myself with all the sentiments expressed on this occasion in connection with the departure of a former member of the Legislative Council."

MR. CHAIRMAN :—" I also wish to associate myself with this resolution. I knew the late Sri V. Hameed Sultan Maricair for very many years and was always struck with his genial personality and friendship. It is a great blow to the family that he

has passed away and this resolution will be a great source of comfort to them. As a mark of respect to his memory, I would request the hon. Members to stand in silence for a few **seconds.**"

The resolution was passed *nem. con.* all the Members of the Council standing.

II.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

Number of posts of Assistant and Deputy Superintendents of Police filled up during the period 1948–53.

* 67 *Q.*—SRI K. N. PALANISWAMI GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state how many posts of Assistant Superintendents and Deputy Superintendents of Police have been filled up every year from 1948–49 to 1952–53 and how many of these by direct recruitment?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM (on behalf of the Hon. the Chief Minister) :—" A statement[a] is placed on the table of the House."

Retrenchment and abolition of posts in the services of this State consequent on the formation of the Andhra State.

* 68 *Q.*—SRI T. PURUSHOTHAM: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of posts of (i) Officers (Gazetted) and (ii) subordinate officials permanently retrenched or proposed to be retrenched after 1st October 1953 consequent on the formation of the Andhra State; and

(*b*) the number of (i) temporary officers and (ii) temporary subordinate officials who were discharged from service in all the departments in this State consequent on the separation of Andhra State?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM (on behalf of the Hon. the Chief Minister) :—" (*a*) Eighty-eight posts of Gazetted Officers and 1,402 posts of Non-gazetted Officers including 225 Last Grade Government Servants have been permanently retrenched after 1st October 1953 consequent on the formation of the Andhra State.

" (*b*) Six temporary officers and 784 temporary subordinate officials have been discharged from service in the various departments in this State consequent on the separation of the Andhra State."

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[a] Printed as Appendix I on page 332 infra.